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Attached is a Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement, for filing in the above-referenced application.

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John F. SWIGART, et al.	) Examiner: Kavanaugh, J.
Serial Number 10/633,361	) Attorney Reference: 005127.85920
Filed: August 4, 2003	
For: FOOTWEAR SOLE STRUCTURE INCORPORATING A CUSHIONING COMPONENT	) ) )

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 23, 2004, the Applicants elect claims in Group II (drawn to footwear and component combination) and Species II (Figures 13-15) and respectfully submit that all claims are readable thereon. This election is made without traverse.

A Preliminary Amendment filed with this Response to Restriction Requirement amends claims 1-32 to recite an article of footwear. Accordingly, all claims pending in the application fall within Group II. In addition, a review of the claims indicates that all claims read upon Species II.

This Response To Restriction Requirement is being timely filed with a Preliminary Amendment by facsimile transmission on January 5, 2005. Should additional fees or an extension of time be deemed necessary for consideration of this Response To Restriction Requirement, such fees or extension are hereby requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account number 19-0733 for the payment of the requisite fee. If anything further is desirable to place the application in even better form for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned representative at (503) 425-6800.

Respectfully submitted,

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows: